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In re Application of:	Brian J. Brown and Michael L. Davis
Application No.:	09/666866
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For:	Improved Longitudinally Flexible Expandable Stent
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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is in response to the Final Office Action dated **September 26, 2003**. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal accompanies the Amendment.

If an extension of time is required to make this response timely and no separate petition is enclosed, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time sufficient to make the response timely. In the event that this response requires the payment of government fees and payment is not enclosed, please charge Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

Please amend the application as follows: